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ONE DISADVANTAGE OF BEING CIVILIZED.

That the "Foot and mouth disease" may never be stamped out in the United States is a glaring headline placed before the readers of the Kokomo Dispatch by that paper. In that case we are in an awful shape. We might as well settle down to a decision to get along without meat, milk, butter and cheese, and heaven knows how many other things, especially since from Benton Harbor comes the tale that a mother and child there have been afflicted.

Really we are not sufficiently pessimistic to swallow the message from Kokomo, but none-the-less it suggests the necessity of drastic action such as new out-breaks constantly being reported seem to call for.

And in this connection just a brief word with some of the farmers in the vicinity of South Bend. A few days ago they were complaining that the state officials had not become duly excited; that they were not maintaining an ample quarantine, but that, quarantine or no quarantine, they intended to resist if an effort were made to kill off their stock without being paid for it. Assurance from the governor that he would request the legislature to make an appropriation to pay for the stock quieted them on that score, but now another inconsistency arises.

Health authorities are beginning to exercise themselves for the protection of humanity. They have attempted not allow food, such as hay, straw, grain and vegetables, to come into the city without first being inspected and fumigated. We are told that the farmers are objecting to this. They don't propose to be inconvenienced to any such extent. They complain against a lack of quarantine and then with the next breath complain against everything that a quarantine stands for.

But we half imagine from developments, and the more vigorous resistance being applied for the control of the disease, that while it will some day be stamped out, at least temporarily, a whole lot of people, farmers and city folk alike, will be inconvenienced considerably before the end. We might as well reconcile ourselves to it. It is one of the disadvantages of being civilized and of living in a civilized community.

NO CHANCE FOR CONTEST.

One of our writers suggests a contest for "the most beautiful man," presenting Ted Splawn, society dancer and husband of Actress Ruth St. Denis, with his picture showing him dressed in a leopard hide and blowing Grecian airs on two pipes of macaroni.

Observing carefully Ted's tout ensemble and toot macaroni, we have decided to pass up the contest for "the most beautiful man." In the first place, life's too short and the contest for the most beautiful bread and bacon too hot. Then, too, Ted's picture of "beauty," if he's any where near the standard, cuts out all the men we've seen hereabouts. Ted's limbs are delicate, smooth and rounded. His arms are childlike. His features ethereal in their chiselmint and his hair one of those thick, crinkly masses that you want to crop off and put in a football. There are no knobs of honest toil about his figure and he altogether looks like a fellow just good enough to put on a cat's hide and pose before crowds of sensual society dames in the name of Art. Maybe it is beauty. Maybe Ted is a fine standard for the most beautiful. But the beauty isn't needed in these parts, and we don't propose to abet its promotion. There's already too much masculine beauty and conceit standing around on our street corners or at the theater doors, ogling women, while mother is at home benzining neckties or filling the furnace. There are already too many young bloods who think they're going to make a career on their shape. There's already too much half-stripped human beauty, slinging and leaping and kicking up clothes at society functions.

No contest for "the most beautiful man" in ours! What these whereabouts need is more contests for homely men, men with callouses at the base of the thumb, cords of muscle across the breast, wrinkles running up into the hair through tangoing of the brain over problems; men not grasshoppers, men working like the very devil for seven children and a wife who sees the beauty of sound, established character behind the homely masculine exterior.

That's what!

EXPORTS ON INCREASE.
The demoralization of American commerce caused by the European war is now a thing of the past!

Facts and figures prove it. Your uncle Samuel has again resumed his big job of selling his surplus products to other peoples—and that means more and more work for Americans; less unemployment, and fewer idle factories.

mate of American exports and imports for October presents figures surprisingly cheerful after hearing so many pessimistic prophecies of the "ruin of American commerce and industry."

Listen to these:
A jump in October export figures of approximately \$44,000,000, bringing the balance of trade in favor of American shippers up to \$60,000,000, is the estimate issued by officials.

In August the value of imports exceeded exports by \$20,000,000, but since the resumption of trade relations interrupted by the war the pendulum has been rapidly swinging back.

The growth of October exports is shown by the weekly figures of exports compiled by the ten principal ports of the country, on which the department's estimates are based. These are New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Galveston, New Orleans, San Francisco, Detroit, Seattle and Buffalo. For the week of October 4 to 10, the exports from these ten ports were \$34,500,000.

During the following week they decreased by \$6,000,000.

In the third week of October they jumped to more than \$38,000,000.

In the final week of the month they totaled \$45,900,000.

The department estimates that the total exports for the month will amount to approximately \$200,000,000, with imports amounting to \$140,000,000.

If this proportion should be maintained, the October exports will show an increase of those of May, when trade conditions were practically normal, of more than \$35,000,000!

COOPERATIVE HOUSEKEEPING.

Ever since Edward Bellamy wrote his inspiring novel, "Looking Backward," there have been attempts to get folks to pool their kitchens and "housekeep" cooperatively.

It's all very easy, on paper—one central plant, with expert cooks; the benefit of wholesale buying, and the best equipment and ease for worried wives.

The trouble has been that, in eating, most of us are individualists. What is one's meat may be another's poison—we want our meals exactly fitted to our several tastes, which means that we think they must be home-cooked. Hence the Bellamy plan hasn't prospered.

But now, in Montclair, N. J., a cooperative feeding scheme has been designed to meet this handicap of the past.

If you were a member of the Montclair group and didn't wish to walk to the dining room at the central cooking plant, you could phone or mail in a special order, covering any kind of dish or dishes you liked, and have it delivered, piping hot, in thermos bottles, at the right time, with a serving maid to boot—provided you felt unable to feed yourself.

The cost? Well, we shall probably know more about that after the scheme has been tried out. The promoters claim, though, that the cost will be less for equal quality than the cost of separate kitchens.

Perhaps it can work; who knows? A generation ago you'd hardly have thought that many schoolhouses and factories, to say nothing of office buildings and apartment houses, would one day have lunch rooms, feeding hundreds to thousands daily at often surprisingly low prices. In those days each pupil or worker who didn't go home at noon brought his or her separate "snack" and ate it cold.

The present elaborate feeding arrangements are a form of cooperative housekeeping which has been forced into success by modern needs—and mostly because men have tackled the job on a business-like basis, developing high efficiency.

From the quick lunch room to the Montclair plan is not, therefore, a long step; and we may be sure that it will be taken generally whenever women really wish to give up their little private kitchens and their sense of domestic awe.

HONESTY OR WHAT?

M. L. Klein, republican candidate for trustee of Madison township at the recent election, was among the first to file his report of expenses with the county clerk. He totals his bill at \$21.05, of which, he says, \$8.15 went for 173 cigars.

Credit him anyway for being honest about it; that is, either stubbornly honest or woefully uninformed. Exactly what he would do with that 173 cigars in a campaign where treating, etc., is tabooed by so strenuous a law as the corrupt practices act, is something of a mystery. Did he smoke them himself?

JAPAN TO THE TEST.

Speaking of Tsing-Tao, now that Japan has it, what is she going to do with it? As we recall it the promise made last August was that the mikado's kingdom would not seek to hold ports taken from the Germans in China.

na. Japan was to be satisfied, in substance, with vengeance for Germany's interference when the mikado sought to keep Port Arthur.

Along with Tsing-Tao goes the Shantung peninsula. China, if promises hold good, is to have them back in course of time—but how long, how long must she wait? We are to have a test of Japanese sincerity here. And the world needs it. The Japanese are a nation with which the world needs a larger acquaintance, for good or for bad; for a greater scare or for less of apprehension.

Judge Warner asserts that the whipping post is too good for the man who gets drunk when a baby comes. We're not taking sides with the brute of a man but if the judge were the father of six children and more were to come, he might change his mind—especially were they to come so close together that he hadn't had a full night's sleep for six years. Babies and colle, you know, are almost synonymous terms.

Hermann Ridder, editor of a German newspaper in New York, says the people of the United States are violating neutrality by paying attention to British and French writers and orators. What are those people doing who pay attention to Hermann Ridder, writing or orating? Leave it to Hermann and he'll tell you, "that's different."

The expenditure by Candidate Klein of \$8.15 for 173 cigars as a part of his campaign expense will undoubtedly be condoned. He doesn't say that he gave them away. And besides the thing to do is to get the bars clear down so that in 1916, when the G. O. P. barrel arrives they can be just as brazen with it—as necessary.

A life has written a poem praying for a pardon. He'll never get it. No man ever yet has been pardoned for writing a poem—and what never has been never shall be.

The "standpatters" have decreased their minority in the senate and house.

Good roads are not without their disadvantages. If they had some of the like of American back-country mud-pikes in Europe the war automobiles would have been stalled long ago, and, like as not, the thing would be all over.

That Englishman that offered Harvard \$10,000,000 if it would dispense with the services of the German professor, Hugo Munsterberg, hasn't increased the amount as yet to our knowledge.

Some wag has submitted the observation that since election, as of yore, Uncle Joe Cannon wears his cigar at the same angle as Kaiser Wilhelm wears his mustache.

Those defeated candidates in various parts of the country who are contesting the election, appear strong for revision upward.

Runaway marriages are frequently made, but divorce is usually a riding affair on the part of one or both.

Seems appropriate that part of the Krupp fortune should go toward supporting an asylum for orphans.

Russia will likely resort to an income tax to make up for loss of revenue due to vodka prohibition.

Gen de Wet's short career as a rebel commander supplies more evidence that this is a "dry" year.

Villa says he will quit if Carranza will. Now we would like to see Carranza call Villa's bluff.

By Thanksgiving day we'll be able to know definitely what Turkey and Greece are going to do.

The news from Pennsylvania seems to indicate that they are voting for Penrose yet down there.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Reminders From the Columns of The Daily Times.

The city treasury had a balance of \$70,223.10 Nov. 1.

County Clerk W. C. McMichael, retiring from office, entertained the county officials at dinner and was presented a gold headed cane. The presentation speech was made by George E. Clark.

Mrs. Samuel Bowman, W. H. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Rabb and Virginia Nicar are recent departures for Eureka Springs, Ark.



"Soy Bean, our village cut-up, inquired at the store if stamps would be accepted for a can of oysters, and being told they would, promptly fished out several trading stamps."

TWO OF A KIND.

First Stenog: How do you like your new boss?
Second Stenog: Great! He don't know no more about grammar, spelling, an' punctuation than I do; he's just out 'er college!

WOMAN'S WAY.

Why don't you ask your husband's advice?
I intend to, my dear, just as soon as I make up my mind what I'll do.—Judge.

THE MELTING POT
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SIX MONTHS WITH POETS AND PHILOSOPHERS.
A thousand thoughts of tender vague regret
Crowd on my soul what time I stand and gaze
On the soft-shining autumn moon; and yet
Not to me only speaks her silvery haze.
—From the Japanese by Chisato.

If man did not disappear like dew of the field, or vanish like the mists of Toribie hills, and continued stay upon earth, then tenderness of heart, sympathy, and love would perish. The unsettled changeableness of the present sub-lunary life is vastly to be preferred.
—From the Japanese by Yoshida Kenko.

IT is one of the peculiarities of poetry that evidences of it are less apparent than one might suppose, considering the amount that is uncovered by investigation. A few people are unconscious that any exists. They are not looking for it. Others are aware of its presence, but not fully aware of its extent. The rest is left to investigation.

IN the crowds of well dressed people on the streets when the community comes down town, in the stores and theaters, there is no evidence of the lurking wolf. Everybody seems to be prosperous and happy. Outside of the professional mendicant poverty rarely obtrudes itself on the public gaze. It must be sought in tenements and garrets, in crouching forms in gloomy passages and in pallid faces on pallets of straw and emaciated forms encased in rags.

In searching out these unfortunates humanity is guided by instinct and the knowledge of habit.

Todd Will Thank You For This.
(Notre Dame Scholastic.)
We suggest the following variants for "plucky little Bergman," which we take every morning for breakfast with the News-Times.
Diminutive.
Lilliputian.
Bantam.

WITHOUT being personally interested as far as we know now, we ap-

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY

VILLA AND CARRANZA.

The refusal of Carranza to obey the ruling of the Aguascalientes conference and the declaration of Villa that he was ready to accede to the provisional president's demand, that he retire to private life if it will secure the elimination of the revolutionary leader, casts a new light upon the character of these two leaders. It is to be hoped that Villa's self sacrifice will be successful in preventing another war in Mexico and that he eventually will be raised to a post of honor.

Throughout the war, Villa has been assailed as a bandit and a man unworthy of trust, while Carranza has been hailed as a liberator and a patriot. Yet the facts in the present trouble show clearly that Carranza is a self-seeking egotist, who cares little for his country and ignores every promise made while he was at the head of the revolutionary forces. It was Carranza who almost involved Mexico in war and Villa who saved his nation from that calamity. Carranza refused to grant amnesty to the conquered soldiers of the federal army until Villa forced him to it and now it is Carranza who is seeking to break all promises made to the Mexican people and elevate himself to a position like that held by the dictators, Diaz and Huerta.

It is to be hoped that Carranza accedes to Villa's demand that he resign the provisional presidency. This alone will prevent war and Villa is to be commended for his offer to retire if this action will induce Carranza to surrender peacefully.

Only a patriot would give up hard won laurels to benefit his country and Villa has placed himself in the front rank of those who are entitled to a share in any spoils won by the defeat of the federalists. By this action the rebel chief has taken a place far above that occupied by Carranza and earned the gratitude of his people.—Springfield (Ohio) Sun.

LEARNING TO SPELL.

A teacher who writes to the Star suggests that the multiplicity of subjects now set down for instruction in the schools makes it impossible to give to all subjects the time and thoroughness that each may deserve. The correspondent thinks it would be better if parents supplemented the work of the school by helping their children at home—especially in spelling, since it was a criticism of poor spelling among high school students that called forth the communication. Parents are negligent, indeed, if they do not take a lively interest in their children's schooling, but too many of them are chargeable with this offense, because of indifference, or ignorance, or the distractions of adult affairs. While the cooperation the teacher asks would be freely given by some parents, it would be withheld by many others. Another objection voiced by many parents is that a child's time out of school hours is for play or for pursuits like reading and music.

Manifestly, then, a solution of the spelling question will not be reached uniformly through the home. More excellent parents are notoriously poor spellers, and there are others who while spelling by the dictionary and wishing that their children could do likewise, are convinced that the on-

prove the bill Sen. McCormick of N. H. Judson is preparing to make life imprisonment the highest degree of punishment that can be inflicted in Indiana. Our repugnance to the death penalty is not peculiar to us. It is shared by a large number of other good people. With its reputation as a reform state Indiana cannot afford to continue the practice of taking human life, even legally.

IF a human life were something one might steal, thereby depriving another of something of pecuniary value an adequate punishment might be fixed by a legislator. But it is not susceptible to theft. If there is anything in christian faith it is not possible to do more than change the condition of a soul, and as far as we have read we have seen no authority for depriving divine power, as manifested in nature, of that function.

Human Intelligence As It Is.
(Cor. Ft. Wayne Journal-Gazette.)
A box of sixteen shot gun shells left sitting on a cooking stove at the home of Louis Johnson, west of Bluffton, exploded this morning when Mr. Johnson built a fire in the stove and caused a reign of terror. He had taken the shells out to loan some to a neighbor and forgot them when he set them on the stove momentarily. He had gone to the barn when the shells began to explode after he kindled the morning fire in the stove and consequently escaped without injury. Oliver Bennett, a neighbor, heard the noise as he was passing the house and thought that some one was shooting at him.

OUR neighbor's kid was telling us what he is going to do when he grows up and gets a man as big as me or you. At first he thought he'd like to be a railroad engineer and run his train at lightning speed through countries far and near, but when the war broke out he changed his mind about all that and resolved he'd be a soldier and wear soldier's hat. He grew so sanguinary in his lust for blood and noise he made himself a wooden gun and shot the other boys. Some of them fell and played it dead, but others couldn't see the joke and punched his swollen head.

In every life there is a chord. Which struck when it is tense. Stirrs emotion to its depths. And quickens every sense.
C. N. F.

coming generation ought to acquire correct spelling as they acquired 10 years ago—by the daily spelling lesson, with its penalty that each misspelled word must be written 10, 20 or 30 times. Even though today it seems to be in the pedagogical discard, the old-fashioned spelling lesson had its merits. For it created general habits of precision and accuracy while it taught children to spell.—Indianapolis Star.

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